

Amendments to the Specification:

Attached to this Amendment is Substitute Specification Page 1. Also attached is Comparison Copy Page 1, which shows the changes (striketrough for deletions, or underlining for added matter) made to the originally filed specification page and incorporated in the substitute specification page. It is requested that this page be substituted for page 1 of the originally filed specification.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 12 with the following amended paragraph, with changes shown by striketrough (for deletions) or underlining (for added matter):

The An object of the present invention is to provide an intravenous catheter introducing device which can be operated easily and safely to retract a used needle cannula with one hand.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 4 with the following amended paragraph, with changes shown by striketrough (for deletions) or underlining (for added matter):

While the present invention has been described in connection with what is are considered the most practical and preferred embodiments, it is understood that this invention is not limited to the disclosed embodiments but is intended to cover various arrangements included within the spirit and scope of the broadest interpretations and equivalent arrangements.